Associated Student Government  
Santa Barbara City College Student Senate  
Minutes  
February 10, 2012  
9:00 am, CC-223  

1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 9:10am
   1.2 Approval of Minutes – Senate voted to approve the 2/3/12 Minutes M/S/C Scott Ammon/Sonya Soltani
   1.3 Approval of Agenda – Senate voted to approve the 2/10 agenda M/S/C Geneva Sherman/Scott Ammon
   1.4 Guest Presentation: Sherrie Fisher, General Manager, Santa Barbara MTD spoke to the Senate regarding their new articulated bus and how it can help bus routes that effect Santa Barbara City College students.

2. Public Forum - None

3. Action Items
   3.1 Club Charter: Captains Council – Senate voted to approve M/A/C Aaron Thule/Robbie Deegan 12yes/0no/2abstain
   3.2 Senate Applications - None

4. Discussion
   4.1 Club Charters – None
   4.2 Club Grants - None
   4.3 AP 5055 Enrollment Priority – tabled until more information is available
   4.4 Fact Sheet for General Assembly – Senate discussed better organization and a meet and greet
   4.5 Movie Equipment/Movie Night – Need more info, will discuss next meeting
   4.6 Activity Sticker/Sporting Events –Will gather more info, will discuss next meeting
   4.7 Non-Profit Merchants Bazaar – Will vote on next meeting
   4.8 March In March Update – Students are signing up, need to put down a $10 deposit
   4.9 Publicity/Senate Promotion – Make a brief video, post info on website

5. Officer Reports
   5.1 JJ Englert – President – See end of minutes
   5.2 Geneva Sherman – VP Senate Affairs – No report
   5.3 Sonya Soltani – VP External Affairs – No report
   5.4 Blas Romel – VP Operations and Finance – No report
   5.5 Scott Ammon – Student Trustee – Presidential Search Committee,
   5.6 Sarah Tajima – Student Advocate – No Report
   5.7 Cassandra Siegel – Commissioner of Clubs – No Report
   5.8 Arielle Valenzuela – Public Relations – No report
   5.9 Senator Report - No
   5.10 Advisor Report – Merchants Bazaar will be 4/9 – 4/12, Free Tax Service Mondays and Tuesdays 2-4:30pm in CC 223 until 4/10.

6. Ad Hoc Committees – Fundraising, Resolutions, Voter Registration – No reports

7. Campus Committee Reports
   7.1 Academic Policies – Joel Negroni - Absent
   7.2 Student Outreach - Ola Smith – No report
   7.3 EOPS/Financial Aid –Joel Negroni - Absent
   7.4 International Education – Per Eriksson – No report
   7.5 Matriculation – Aaron Thule – No report
   7.6 Portal Steering – Alec Parent – No report
   7.7 BPAP – Sarah Tajima – No report
   7.8 COI – Geneva Sherman – No report

8. Announcements – Celly – teacher to student texts, Coffee with the Senate on 2/14 11-12:30


10. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 10:45am M/S/C Geneva Sherman/Sarah Tajima
During this past week, I attended three committee meetings, first of which was the SBCC Foundation Alumni Committee. During this meeting, we allotted times where we would host events that pertained to subjects like publicity, public service, and educational opportunities, in which we think will all serve to help our committee expand and increase the amount of alumni presence with SBCC. Not only will this help our old students to connect and network, but it will help our new students to find professional opportunities that they would of otherwise been without.

Next, is a combination of Academic Senate and the College Planning Council because most of the same information was talked about. In a listing order, we talked about categories such as:
- Advisors will now provide an appointment system that will align with the walk in appointments that have always been available.
- Enrollment is down 2.6 percent from last year's enrollment number. Which, we actually found kind of weird because the faculty and myself feel as if the classrooms are more full then ever now.
- We talked about program review...again. This time the discussion on the table is to completely suspend program review because of insufficient funds. Now, this statement means that any equipment that is currently broken, outdated, or if any departments needs an upgrade to keep up with today's industrial standards – that they will be unable to receive an upgrade or to fix the item – which inevitable holds City College and it's students back. However, there has been further talked about going through all the rankings of program review again, but more in-depth then ever, and provide some programs with upgrades and replacements to ensure that we don't slip down this slippery slope of broken and outdated equipment.
- Some suggestions to help with the budgets were instances such as: Science labs that usually participate with more hands on and individual exercise, will lean away from that practice and participate in more group activities to save money. So yes, students will still be able to see the experiment, however they will be unable to learn from a complete hands on approach.
- In happier news, all the computers that are on the refresh cycle here on campus, have been updated except for 25 percent of them so far.
- The bookstore will be providing 22,000 dollars to the school in order to help promote the increase of out-of-state students that attend CC.
- There will be a hiring chill for classified positions. As you all may know, classified positions are very picky, in which there are a lot of rules and circumstances that protect those members and employees. There have been talks about how we will move forth to fill those positions.
- There is now an IT videoconference room available for rent. The state is paying all colleges to have these on campus.
- We approved funding for a position to be funding in the international center for an amount up to 65,000$. Now as this amount is large, comparisons to other colleges have showed us that SBCC’s international center is largely under staffed, and also, this 65,000 dollars only equates to 22 international students – in which this position would allow for an increase of up to 150-200 more international students. These figures could raise our revenue by up to a 1,000,000 and will also place us at a cap for international students.
- Lastly, as some of you may recall early last semester, the ACCJC, which is pretty much the accrediting committee for CC, has sent a letter to SBCC requesting that we mail a letter back to them. No other details have been discussed, but originally the ACCJC came to our campus to audit the situation that happen with our last president and our current board of trustees.